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## New Hall Desired By Labor Body

**Protest Made Against Deputy Boiler Inspector Callery—Central Council Is To Give Notice To Governor Willis.—City Will Be Urged To Increase Pay of Bakers In Its Employ.**

Delegates to the Central Labor Council voted last night to have its trustees look for a new hall. The Council is meeting in Teamsters' Hall. Recently a committee was appointed to request improvements in the hall.

A communication from Bakery and Confectionery Workers' International Union No. 213 was read, in which it was stated that the bakers employed by the city are the most underpaid workmen engaged by the municipality. It was charged in the communication that bakers employed in the City Hospital and House of Refuge received from \$4 to \$5 less a week than any baker employed in a union shop. The union stated that it deemed it necessary to ask an increase of \$15 a month for every baker employed by the city. Frank L. Rist, Adolph Radtke and Sebastian Ollinger were appointed a committee to take the matter up with the proper authorities.

### To Notify Governor Willis.

A letter was received from Steam Engineers' Union, Local 18, in which it was stated that the Steam Engineers' Union of Zanesville, Ohio, is to circulate a communication protesting against J. C. Callery, Chief Deputy Boiler Inspector of Ohio, he being characterized as a strike-breaker. It was said in the letter that Local 18, in conjunction with the Hamilton (Ohio) Engineers' Union, had investigated and that it is in a position to prove that Callery was employed in a Hamilton concern as an engineer when a strike was in progress at that concern in 1907 and 1908. Council decided to notify Governor Willis of the result of the investigation conducted by Steam Engineers' Union, Local 18.

An echo of the Danbury Hatters' case was heard when a letter was read from the American Federation of Labor, requesting every man in Cincinnati carrying a union card to donate on January 27 the amount of wages he would receive

for one hour's work to members of the Hatters' union. The same request is being made of every union man in the country. As an outcome of the Danbury Hatters' case \$300,000 damages was levied against the Hatters' Union. Property belonging to individual members of the union was attached to make up the amount, it is said. The money received on January 27 will be given directly to the members of the Hatters' Union as a reimbursement for what they lost in the cause of labor.

### May Return Ten Dollars.

The jurisdictional controversy between Teamsters' Union, Local 100, and Beer Drivers' Union, which resulted in the suspension of the Teamsters' Union from the Council, again came up for discussion. Last week a letter was received from the Teamsters' Union, in which it asked that it be reinstated. Council then adopted a motion that the letter be returned to the teamsters with a request that they procure correct information pertaining to matters as to their suspension. Later a letter from the teamsters was read, which showed that they still are under the impression that they were fined, and requested more information regarding same. After discussion the Council decided to table the matter until the teamsters return the \$10 which they are said to have collected for driving trucks during the Labor Day parade after they, asserting jurisdiction, had replaced members of the Beer Drivers' Union.

The committee appointed to urge that the new high school in Hyde Park be named "The Joseph Heberle High School," in memory of Joseph Heberle, teamster and "father" of the free text books in the schools of Ohio, reported progress. A letter from the Board of Education stated that it is ready to consider the naming of the new school.

## WORKMEN'S ACT FOES CAN'T DODGE QUERIES

Harrisburg, Pa.—The State Workmen's Compensation Board has trapped opponents of the state compensation and liability law, passed by the last legislature. These opponents have been insisting that if the law passed, employers, to escape liability, would give preference to young men, single men and aliens in order to avoid the heavier liabilities which would be entailed in case of injury to men in other classes.

The State Compensation Board, however, fears that this is exactly what opponents of the law will do, and it has prepared the following questions for employers who ask for exemption of state liability on the ground that they will carry their own insurance:

"Will it be your policy to discriminate against an employee with a large family in favor of an unmarried employee or an employee with a small family?"

"Will you discriminate against an American in favor of an alien employee?"

"Will you discriminate against a man on account of his age when he is otherwise well qualified?"

Employers of fair mind, of course, will answer each query in the negative. And other employers will have to answer the same, for they are caught "in the middle."

If they answer otherwise, or evade answering, the compensation board can refuse them exemption. If they insure in the state fund for any stock or mutual company they will gain nothing by discrimination, for the rates are the same in all cases and take no account of possible discrimination for age or any other reason. If any employer assures the compensation board of nondiscrimination and then doesn't live up to his pledge, the board has the right to revoke his exemption.

### POSTPONE WAGE LAW DECISION

Little Rock, Ark.—The State Supreme Court, it is stated, will withhold its decision in the pending wages-by-law case until the United States Supreme Court passes on the validity of a similar law adopted by the Oregon legislature.

### LUMBER MEN VIOLATE LAW.

Colebrook, N. H.—Representatives of the Federal Department of Labor are in this vicinity investigating violations of the immigration and contract labor laws. Lumber interests are charged with violating these statutes.

## SAYS PROHIBITION SOON MUST FAIL

**Model License League Head Declares Decline is Near.**

Louisville, Ky.—"The prohibition wave, like any other wave, must topple at its crest," said T. M. Gilmore, president, in making his report at the annual meeting of the National Model License League here today. "The crest was reached when a genuine prohibition bill became operative in Arizona this year. As soon as the effects of this drastic measure began to be felt the units of the prohibition wave began falling over each other in a wild effort to get back to normal conditions. The history of the prohibition wave that rose so high and fell so far in 1855 is about to be repeated."

### HOD CARRIERS RAISE WAGES.

Wheeling, W. Va.—Hod carriers employed by brick contractors have established new wage rates as follows: During the remainder of the scale year, until April 30, 1916, the wages will be 35 cents per hour for hod carriers and mortar mixers, and 29 cents for wheelers and other labor not specified; from then until April 30, 1917, the wages will be 36 and 30 cents, respectively; from thence until April 30, 1918, 37½ cents per hour.

The agreement with the plasterer contractors runs from June 1, 1916, to May 30, 1917, at 36¼ cents per hour straight, and for the following year 37½ cents per hour.

In both cases the basis is on the eight hour day and Saturday half holiday, with time and one-half for overtime and double time for holidays.

### PROFITS IN COPPER.

Phoenix, Ariz.—Striking employees in the Clifton, Morenci and Metcalf copper camps are pointing to the prosperous condition of this industry, as indicated by the declarations of increased dividends in stocks in Eastern financial centers. The Utah Copper Company has increased its quarterly rate from \$1 to \$1.50, while the Butte and Superior Copper Company, in addition to its regular quarterly dividend of 75 cents, now announces an extra dividend of \$750, as against the extra dividend of \$5 in September.

The Arizona strikers are not even asking for a share of the extraordinary copper prosperity, but simply for the same wage rates that are paid in other sections of the state.

## UNORGANIZED'S FEARFUL PRICE.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Unorganized West Virginia miners are paying a fearful price for their refusal to unite, says J. W. Brown, writing in the United Mine Workers' Journal. This unionist presents the following figures to prove the connection between non-unionism and fatalities:

"The records of the Public Service Commission for the year ending June 30, 1914, show 544 miners who have been killed outright, 21 so crippled that they can never work in the mines, 66 who are otherwise crippled for life, and 10,787 minor accidents which were serious enough to come under the observation of the Public Service Commission. This is about one man killed for every 100,000 tons of coal dug to say nothing of the 10,787 accidents, and is just 25 men killed every year for every 3,000 men working in the mines, which is about four times as many as are killed in the mines of Pennsylvania, Illinois or Ohio.

"There is a direct connection between this wanton sacrifice of human life and the unorganized conditions of the miners themselves. All things in life have their price, and for unbridled competition the miners pay the dearest.

"Men driven to toil as these miners are will shirk every responsibility no matter how much danger they incur, hence the explosions."

## FAVORS JUDGES FOR LIFE.

Indianapolis, Ind.—President Cutting of the Chicago Bar Association told members of the local bar association that judges should be elected for life. The Chicago man painted this beautiful picture:

"The ideal judge fears neither power or wealth or station. He seeks no personal advancement. The allurements of political power are behind him and only the pursuit of justice for all men lies within the scope of his ambition."

## FACTORY OFFICIALS HELD.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—A coroner's jury has held officials of the Union Paper Box Company for action by the grand jury because of the death of 13 persons in

the box factory fire, October 25. The jury censured city, county and state officials for lack of co-ordination in their inspection of the building and enforcement of the laws. Company officials claim they did not know the building was dangerous, as the authorities had not notified them.

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